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RESPONSE TO *EX PARTE QUAYLE* ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the outstanding *Ex parte Quayle* Action of November 23, 2009, in which a two-month period for response was set to expire on January 25, 2010 (January 23, 2010, being a Saturday), Applicant respectfully requests entry of the present Amendment to allowance in view of the herein-contained remarks:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this Response.